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### NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

#### **DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**



The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady, undertone was firm. Limited trading was reported for fill-in basis for prompt shipments. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings short to light. The market tone on parts and meats was steady to weak, except for thigh meat was steady to firm. Demand was limited for the adequate to ample offerings.

#### **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

Trading was slow to moderate. Demand was light to moderate, buyers are cautious and selective. Offerings are light to adequate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) NOVEMBER 1, 2007

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORV	VARD SHIPMI	<b>OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/</b>		
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER
8-16 LB HENS				. ,					
EASTERN REGION 3/	96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) NOVEMBER 2, 2007

CURRENT SHIPMENTS			FORW	ARD SHIPME	<b>OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/</b>				
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER
8-16 LB HENS						, ,		` ,	
EASTERN REGION 3/	96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	95-98	95	95.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5	/ 96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS	96-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	95-98	95	95.00	50	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	96-98	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

<sup>1/</sup> May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

<u>WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS</u>, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

<b>WEEK OF NOV 2, 2007</b>	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO	MONTH OF OCTOBER	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	SAME MONTH YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	97.00	96.00	103.00 **	EASTERN REGION	95.20	93.12	95.83
CENTRAL REGION	95.67	96.63	102.00	CENTRAL REGION	95.27	93.03	96.31
WESTERN REGION	97.00	95.50	103.00 **	WESTERN REGION	95.09	92.47	95.81
16-24 LB TOMS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	97.00	96.00	103.00 **	EASTERN REGION	95.18	93.20	95.94
CENTRAL REGION	95.00	95.14	103.00 **	CENTRAL REGION	95.16	92.66	96.52
WESTERN REGION	97.00	95.00	103.00 **	WESTERN REGION	95.07	92.79	95.74

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY	
<b>DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTIT</b>	<b>TUTIONS</b>
	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	125-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	122-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	121-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	121-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	121-149

# **TURKEY DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

·	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	103-112
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	102
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	95
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	95

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L. A. AREA) PROCESSED

## **TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS** W/E 27-OCT-07 (Preliminary)

	Young Pct id Head- Pro	Chg	Avg	Banded	Total tu	ırkeys Avg Live wt
North East	912	4	23.68	(A)	912	23.68
South Atlantic		-11	34.09	(A)	678	34.09
North Central	2,230	-2	32.26	(A)	2,230	32.26
South Central	938	0	17.70	(A)	938	17.70
West	801	70	24.88	(A)	801	24.88
U.S. total	5,559 (B)	5	27.56	0	5,559	27.56
To-date 2007	199,642 (B)			216	199,858	
To-date 2006	195,367 (B)			202	195,569	

- (A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
- (B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 1,000; for the current year to date 999,000; for last year to date 1,080,000.

## **NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS**

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS (prices reflect turkeys with timers), Week of 05-NOV-2007

Price (d	Volume (lbs.)	
PRICED AT TIME C	F SALE	
8-16 lbs.	105.46	304,000
16-24 lbs.	105.64	110,000
PRICE TO BE DETI	ERMINED	
8-16 lbs.		10,000
16-24 lbs.		10,000
	Total Volume	: 434,000

## **TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS**

(In thousand pounds)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

September	427,062*
October 1 - 27, 2007	458,069*
To date 2007 To date 2006 *Preliminary	4,439,982* 4,376,207*

## **LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 27-OCT-SEP-2007 (Preliminary)

	Young Hens Toms		Young Old Breeders		Total Turkeys	
		Thou	sands			
Head	2,498	3,060	1	0	5,559	
Avg Wt	16.85	36.30	25.01	0.00	27.56	
Last week	2,190	3,089	28	1	5,308	
Same wk yr ago	2,524	2,879	30	1	5,434	
Avg Wt	17.04	35.78	25.35	63.16	27.02	
To-date/2007	85,224	113,419	999	216	199,858	
To-date/2006	83,485	110,802	1,080	202	195,569	

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 01 NOVEMBER 2007.

The market tone on white meat was steady to weak with breast trim steadiest. Demand light to instances moderate on fresh tom breast meat with some isolated improved inquiry noted for next week. Offerings adequate to sometimes burdensome. The market tone on 4-8 lb. breasts was steady to fully steady. Demand light to instances moderate on frozen, active on fresh for the upcoming holiday. Offerings light and spotty. The market tone on institutional sized breasts was mostly steady for the light to moderate demand. Offerings light to adequate. Trading active on fresh 4-8 lb. breasts for domestic shipments, moderate on frozen -20% mechanically separated turkey (MST) for export, balance slow. For domestic: 2008 contracts - fresh -20% MST 22-22.50, fresh thigh trim 35 shipping point, fresh wing meat with skin 91, Grade A non-basted breasts - 8-10 lb. 150, 10-12 lb. 185, 12-14 lb. 190, 16-18 lb. 195, 18-20 lb. 200, plant grade non-basted 12-14 lb. breasts 188 cents delivered. For export: tom defatted gizzards 81.50 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	135.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE AFRESH 2/	158.00-195.00		175.75	1,438
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	125.00		125.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	60.00		60.00	9
DRUMSTICKS, TOMFRESH	58.00		58.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		Т	57.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	49.00		49.00	46
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		M	47.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	60.00		60.00	23
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	68.67	60
NECKS, TOM	57.00		57.00	100
NECKS, HEN		R	54.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	238.00	10
BREASTS, B/S, TOMFRESH 3/		Т	227.59	197
THIGH MEAT	93.00		93.00	20
THIGH MEATFRESH	96.00		96.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		M	88.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERSFRESH		F	240.00	29
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	16.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATEDFRESH 4/	18.00		18.00	80
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	58.00-60.00		59.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	48.00-49.00		48.50	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	54.08	316
TAILS	32.00		32.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	14.00-15.00		14.61	264
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	91.00	40

<sup>1/</sup> CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

<sup>2/</sup> Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

<sup>3/</sup> Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

<sup>4/ 15-20%</sup> fat with skin added.

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The market tone on white meat continued steady to weak with breast trim the steadiest, however some spot weakness was noted on frozen. Demand light to instances moderate. Offerings were held with varied degrees of confidence and ranged from adequate to sometimes burdensome. The market tone on tom drums, tom full-cut wings was generally steady, balance steady to weak. Demand on tom drums light to mostly moderate and centered on fresh, balance light at best. Offerings of tom drums light to instances fully adequate, mostly adequate; tom full-cut wings adequate; tom necks and tom 2-joint wings adequate to instances burdensome. The market tone on tails was steady and defatted gizzards steady to fully steady. Demand moderate for the light to adequate offerings. Domestic trading was active on fresh tom drums, balance light. Export trading was active on tom 2-joint wings, moderate on tom drums, balance slow. For domestic: tom defatted gizzards 83, fresh wing meat with skin 92, fresh breast trim 132, Grade A non-basted rib breasts - 8-10 lb. 145, 12-16 lb. 190 cents delivered. For export: tom defatted gizzards 84 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	135.00		135.00	40	135.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE AFRESH 2/	209.00		209.00	14	176.05	1,454
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	127.00		127.00	7	125.52	27
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	58.00-60.00		59.33	60	59.63	109
DRUMSTICKS, TOMFRESH	57.00-59.00		57.62	520	57.53	680
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	58.00		58.00	80	56.66	183
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	47.00		47.00	20	48.04	166
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		M	47.00	10	47.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	56.00-58.00		57.60	100	58.05	123
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	68.67	60		
NECKS, TOM	50.00-54.00		52.00	160	53.95	380
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	238.00	10		
BREASTS, B/S, TOMFRESH 3/	203.00-216.00		212.00	280	218.44	477
THIGH MEAT	96.00		96.00	20	94.50	40
THIGH MEATFRESH	94.00-96.00		95.00	40	95.75	160
BREAST TRIM MEAT						
SCAPULA MEAT		M	88.00	80	88.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN						
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	185.00-210.00		196.25	160	196.25	160
DESTRAPPED TENDERSFRESH	200.00-227.00		206.75	40	206.75	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	14.00		14.00	80	16.71	280
MECHANICALLY SEPARATEDFRESH 4/	17.00-19.00		18.14	140	18.44	351
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	57.00		57.00	312	57.41	392
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	48.50	80	48.50	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	53.00-57.00		56.69	676	56.69	676
TAILS	27.00		27.00	80	28.13	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	18.00		18.00	40	15.05	304

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